GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DISINVESTMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1058
ANSWERED ON:24.11.2000
DISINVESTMENT IN RASHTRIYA ISPAT NIGAM LIMITED
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Will the Minister of DISINVESTMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the profit/loss of Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited during last three years;

(b) whether the process of disinvestment has already been initiated in Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited, Vizagapatnam;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the steps taken to revamp the above company ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING, PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION, ADMINISTRATIVE REI PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND DISINVESTMENT (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE)

(a) The net loss during the last three years is as under:

Year	Net loss in Rs.crore
1997-98	177.00
1998-99	457.00
1999-00	568.00

(b) to (d) The Disinvestment Commission, in its XII Report of August 1999 recommended that the Govt should write off the entire accumulated losses of the company against its entire Share Money Pending Allotment and Preference Share Capital and Equity Capital, to clean up its balance sheet and to simultaneously, initiate the process of disinvestment of not less than 51% of its remaining equity holding in RINL to a strategic buyer. Government has not taken a decision on the recommendations of the Commission.